



### **prof. Andrzej Mazur**

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Professor Andrzej Mazur was born on July 25, 1955, in Częstochowa. He completed his veterinary studies at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Agriculture in Wrocław in 1978. In 1986, he obtained his doctoral degree at the University of Clermont-Ferrand (France). He is employed at the National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA) in the research centre Clermont/Theix/Lyon, currently holding the position of Directeur de Recherche, where he heads a research team in the "Human Nutrition" unit. He obtained the academic title of professor in Poland in 2006.

Professor Mazur's scientific interests in the early stages of his career focused on metabolic diseases of ruminants, and later shifted towards nutritional prevention of metabolic disorders and the resulting chronic diseases in humans, mainly vascular diseases and inflammatory processes. His work includes both fundamental research on the mechanisms of action of micronutrients and nutritional interventions aimed at assessing their bioavailability, physiological effects, and effectiveness in prevention. It is also noteworthy that he places significant emphasis on applied research, as evidenced by his extensive collaboration with numerous agricultural and food producers.

Professor Mazur's impressive scientific activity has resulted in numerous publications. He is the author or co-author of over 200 articles in international scientific journals, including the "American Journal of Clinical Nutrition," "Journal of Nutrition," "Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry," "American Journal of Physiology," "Journal of Physiology," "Journal of Dairy Science," "Nature Communications," and "PLOS One." It should be emphasised that a significant portion of these works were realised in collaboration with research units from various countries and international projects, demonstrating Professor Mazur's openness and ability to engage in constructive cooperation. He is also the author or co-author of numerous popular science publications, chapters in scientific monographs, and conference proceedings. Professor Mazur has been invited multiple times as a lecturer to both Polish and foreign universities.

His scientific activity is accompanied by exceptional organisational activity. Since its inception in 1992, Professor Mazur has been a member of the Human Nutrition Research Center (CRNH) in the Auvergne region, where he has served for many years as the coordinator for "nutrition, prevention of vascular diseases, and metabolic syndrome." He has also been a long-time member of the international association for magnesium research (SDRM), where he served as president and is currently the vice-president. In this capacity, he has frequently co-organized national and international congresses and scientific symposia. Since 2007, Professor Mazur has been the chief editor of the international scientific journal "Magnesium Research," and since 2012, he has served as the nutrition editor for the "Polish Journal of Food and Nutrition Sciences." He is also a member of the editorial boards of numerous scientific journals. Professor Mazur is often invited as an expert to work on committees evaluating scientific projects, research units, and recruitment and examination committees in France, Poland, and other countries. In the current term, he is a member of the expert committee at the French National Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health Safety (ANSES).

It should be emphasised that Professor Mazur continuously maintains ties with his alma mater. He has frequently delivered and organised lectures by foreign scientists and has for many years invited students, doctoral candidates, doctors, and professors from the Wrocław University of Environmental and Life Sciences to his unit, also within bilateral and European exchange programs. The result of scientific collaboration with Professor Mazur includes numerous joint scientific publications and two co-supervised doctoral theses.

Professor Mazur has been awarded the Honorary Medal of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Wrocław in 2002, the Medal of Merit for the University of Agriculture in Wrocław in 2005, and the Medal of the Warsaw School of Animal Physiology "For Merits in the Development of Physiological Sciences" in 2012.